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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

Election Precincts Established and Election Officers Appointed. Bills Allowed.

Pursuant to adjournment the board met on the above date. Present—T. E. Pulliam and Geo. Babbitt, members, and H. C. Hibben, clerk.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The treasurer is directed on payment of \$31.20 to assign the tax certificate for 1901 on lots 7 to 10, block 1 B (assessed to R. Daggs) to J. W. Cart, and on the further payment of \$51.80 to cancel all the other taxes against said lots.

The report of N. G. Layton, probate judge and county superintendent of schools, checked, found correct and approved.

Frank C. Reid is hereby granted leave of absence for ten days from July 15.

It is hereby ordered that additional election precincts be established as follows:

One at the smelter of the Coconino Copper Company, to be known as the Ryan precinct.

Also one at the end of track of the Santa Fe & Grand Canyon railroad, at the head of Bright Angel trail, to be known as the Grand Canyon precinct.

Pursuant to the statute the following precinct officers are hereby appointed to serve at the next general election, to be on November 4 next:

Flagstaff Precinct—Jas. L. Byrnes, inspector; A. A. Dutton, judge; Chas. A. Keller, judge; L. W. Quinlan, Jos. S. Amundsen, C. F. X. Flynn and Geo. Coffin, clerks; James W. Jones, marshal.

Williams Precinct—Joseph Johnston, inspector; B. F. Sweetwood and Geo. Wharton, judges; Jacob Salzman, Geo. W. Martin, Ed. G. DuBois and George Rounseville, clerks; Thomas Andrews, marshal.

Bellemont—Frank W. Payne, inspector; Chas. W. Davis and Eric Denver, judges; Joseph Moritz and E. G. Black, clerks.

Canyon Diablo—F. W. Volz, inspector; Geo. McFadden and J. C. Henderson, judges; Wm. Volz and C. Ybarra, clerks.

Maine—Ben Crow, inspector; J. M. Dennis and William Naigler, judges; W. H. Furlow and W. J. Collard, clerks.

Greenlaw—J. M. Rogers, inspector; Robert Erwin and C. A. Greenlaw, judges; M. Dimmick and ——— Richardson, clerks.

Tuba City—C. H. Algert, inspector; D. Brinkerhoff and Fred Tanner, judges; J. L. Foutz and Jos. Lee Jr., clerks.

Fredonia—A. W. Judd, inspector; Lorum Pratt and Park Harper, judges; A. W. Brown and R. A. Jackson, clerks.

Mormon Dairy—S. E. Thomas, inspector; Marion Clark and Barney Styles, judges; Thomas Richardson and Wm. Wallace, clerks.

Grand Canyon—John Hance, inspector; P. D. Berry and Martin Buggeln, judges; L. L. Ferrell and John R. Page, clerks.

Ryan—Roy N. Davidson, inspector; Cass Lewis and E. B. Gage, judges; Elmer Duffin and Walter McAllister, clerks.

The following bills against the coun-

ty were approved:

John H. Lind, assessor	\$1,000 00
N. G. Layton, salary and expense probate judge	154 00
Babbitt Bros., supplies furnished	4 75
Oswald Barney, bounty on two bear and one lion	40 00
Postal Tel. Co., telegrams	13 93
Frank C. Reid, making lists of lands	10 00
Mutual Telephone Co., tel. courthouse and jail	9 00
Dr. W. S. Robinson, account smallpox, Canyon Diablo	27 00
Dr. W. S. Robinson, adm., account hospital	551 25
R. H. Jones, publishing	94 70
F. B. Philpott, salary court reporter	62 16
H. H. McNeil Co., assessment roll	15 00
Board adjourned.	

NAVAJO INDIANS.

They are Reported to be in a Famine Condition in New Mexico.

The Navajo Indians on the reservation just to the west of Farmington are in dire need of government aid, says the Hustler. Due investigation has proven the fact that within the past thirty days, thousands of their horses and sheep have died from starvation, owing to the prolonged drought. Even the Indians themselves have pawned, to the traders, about everything of value they possessed, in order to secure flour and coffee, and unless our government immediately does something there will be much suffering among these poor people, who have heretofore been self-supporting and are well known to be one of the most industrious tribes now living. It is not contributions of food or clothing they ask for or expect, but work. Work that will enable them to earn enough money to purchase such necessities as they will require during the winter.

If an appropriation of \$40,000 to \$50,000 could be secured, canals and reservoirs could be constructed on the reservation by Indian labor, which would enable them to put into cultivation thousands of acres of the finest land along the lower San Juan river, and at the same time enable them to earn enough money with which to purchase food and clothing until their crops would become productive. This would not alone encourage them in a life of industry, but forever dispel the thought of being dependent, as well as to aid in interesting them in educating their children. Uncle Sam should try it.

The Statehood Committee's Trip.

The trip to Oklahoma, New Mexico and Arizona which a committee of congress promises to take during the recess would be a wise thing, says the Globe-Democrat. The three territories are anxious to get in, and the congressmen who have never been in the Southwest would learn much about the territories' qualifications for statehood by a personal visit. Of course, nobody in or out of congress has any doubts about Oklahoma's fitness for statehood, but there are many persons in congress who are skeptical as to Arizona, and there seems to be a few who believe New Mexico ought to be kept out longer, although it is more than half a century since she was organized as a territory.

KEEP AWAY, INVESTORS.

A California Complaint About the Lack of Good Hotels and Restaurants in Arizona Mining Districts.

Of all the opportunities that are presented for the use of capital in Arizona none are more attractive than that of supplying its towns and cities with good hotels and restaurants; for surely no section of this great west is cursed with such a set of hard hash foundries as is Arizona. The complaint is very general that it is next to impossible to get a decent meal, even in the larger towns; and as for the hotels, their service in many, many cases is simply execrable; and this is true even in the larger towns.

A true story came to us this month from a guest who stayed at a prominent hotel in one of the important towns of Arizona. He is a drummer, and found in his room the usual call bell, and being accustomed to civilization he rang it when he needed ice water. He rang several times, too, but without response. Finally, he went into the hall to reconnoiter, and met the landlord, and asked him if the bells were out of order. The landlord asked what he was ringing for, and he said ice water; whereupon the boniface replied: "Why, didn't you see that faucet in the hall? That's where you get water." It is a case of \$3 or \$4 a day and wait on yourself. And there are others.

Such hosteleries, posing as first-class, are a damage to a town. They give a rank impression of a place, and the sooner they are killed by good, sensible competition the sooner will Arizona come to the front as it should.

Colorado has proved that small mining towns, like Rico, Telluride, Ouray and others, can support well-conducted hotels; and there is no reason why such should not pay splendidly in Arizona.

Hash foundries don't attract tourists, nor men with means who might become investors, but good, comfortable hotels do.

We don't expect a Waldorf-Astoria or a Ponce de Leon in little towns. The traveling public does not, in small hotels or towns, expect suites with porcelain baths, or ten-course dinners, with canvasback ducks and Delmonico touches and trimmings; but it does expect civilization, and if it cannot get it will simply stay away, and the section so passed by will be all the poorer in consequence.

As soon as possible let Arizona abolish the hash foundry and start pleasant, comfortable, home-like hotels, and they will get more visitors and more tourists.

And the man who begins along this line will fill a long-felt want, and make money while he is doing the filling.—Western Investments.

Decreased Assessment.

The assessor and his deputies have completed their labors and the assessment roll for the year 1902 is now in the hands of the clerk of the board of supervisors. The total of the assessable property for this county for the present year reaches the total of \$2,698,575.85. The amount of the assessment roll for 1901, as finally filed by the board of equalization was \$2,920,000. Thus we have a decrease between the

amount of Graham county's taxable wealth, as filed last year by the board of equalization and the assessors, of \$267,425, and this in the face of an increase in the assessment of the Arizona Copper company, of something like \$65,000, and an additional assessment against the Shannon company of \$100,000. If we omit these two increases there is a difference this year of nearly \$432,000 over the assessment as finally fixed by the board of equalization in 1901.—Morenci Standard.

Resolutions of Thanks.

The employees of the Arizona Lumber & Timber Company, at a mass meeting held on Monday night, unanimously passed the following resolutions:

Whereas, the Arizona Lumber & Timber Co., through its officers, has generously given to its employees an unprecedented opportunity of enjoying the Fourth; be it

Resolved, That we, its employees, in mass meeting assembled, do extend to the company our sincere thanks. In doing so we wish to assure the company that the cordial and generous spirit shown by it but accentuates that kindly feeling which has heretofore existed between the company and its men, and awakens the hope that the latter may be afforded a later opportunity to show to the company their appreciation of its constant thoughtfulness of and liberal policy toward them. Be it further

Resolved, that a committee be appointed to subscribe to these resolutions in behalf of the employees of the Arizona Lumber & Timber Company, to present a copy to each officer of the company, and to have the same published in the next issues of THE SUN and Gem.

[Signed] S. F. QUAY,
A. A. DUTTON,
J. W. POWER,
PAUL RODRIGUEZ,
RICHARD BONGBERG.
Flagstaff, July 7, 1902.

A New Trading Post.

The Edward Smith Indian Post Trading Company has purchased the Wolf Post of Babbitt Brothers. The company has put in a large stock of goods and Mr. Edward Smith, recently from Detroit, Michigan, is the local manager. He is a young man of energy and business ability. Besides the store at Wolf Post, the company has warehouses at Canyon Diablo, and eastern offices in Detroit, to which point their surplus Indian blankets, pottery and curios will be shipped. The store at the post will be in charge of J. H. McAdams, an experienced Indian trader, and the company, by fair dealing, expect to secure their portion of the Navajo and Moqui trade. The post is on the Little Colorado river, and in an excellent location.

Five-Points School Burns.

An \$8,000 brick schoolhouse recently erected and never used burned Thursday morning at Five Points, a suburb of Phoenix. The cause of the fire is unknown. The building was insured for \$5,000. The question has been raised, whether or not the property had been turned over to the school board, and a lawsuit will follow.